Drinking Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Projects

3467. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to reply to Unstarred Question No. 2392 give in the Rajya Sabha on 14th December, 2005 and state:

(a) whether revised proposal for Rural Drinking Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation Project, which were returned by the Ministry to recast and include the concepts of decentralized service delivery, has been received by the Government of India;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have sent it to the World Bank for assistance;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A. NARENDRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) The Panchayati Raj and Rural Development Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh has sent a Concept Note on Rural Water Supply Project for World Bank assistance which has been recommended and forwarded to the Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance for posing to World Bank for financial assistance. A World Bank Exploratory Mission has already visited Andhra Pradesh during February 9-10-2006 in this regard. The World Bank has thereafter informed the Government of Andhra Pradesh of the Bank's guiding principles for providing support to State level rural water supply and sanitation projects. For further development, the Government of Andhra Pradesh will have to respond and agree to the World Bank's policy framework. The response of Government of Andhra Pradesh is awaited.

Tribal districts of Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh under NREGS

3468. MISS MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the tribal district of Jharkhand andChhattisgarh identified under the National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme;

(b) the districts for which the perspective plan is ready; and

(c) the districts for which the perspective plan is not ready and by when the plan would be ready?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) 20 districts of Jharkhand and 11 districts of Chhattisgarh have been identified for coverage under NREG Act. One of the criteria for selection of districts under NREGA is SC/ST population in that particular area. A list of districts of these two States covered under the Act is enclosed as Statement (See below).

(b) and (c) All the 10 NFFWP districts of Chhattisgarh have reported to have prepared the Perspective plan. The Ministry had reviewed the status of preparation of Perspective Plan for the districts of Jharkhand in the regional meeting dated 3rd January, 2006 and suggested modifications and improvements. The State has yet to complete the work of perspective plan for ail 14 NFFWP districts.

Statement

List of districts of two states covered under NREG Act

Chhattisgarh	1	Bastar
	2	Bilaspur
	3	Dantewada
	4	Dhamtari
	5	Jaspur
	6	Kanker
	7	Kawaradha
	8	Koria
	9	Rajgarh
	10	Rajnandgaon
	11	Surguja
Jharkhand	1	Bokaro
	2	Chatra
	3	Dhanbad
	4	Dumka
	5	Garhwa
	6	Giridih

7	Godda
8	Gumla
9	Hazaribagh
10	Jamtara
11	Kodarma
12	Letechar
13	Lohardagga
14	Pakur
15	Palamau
16	Ranchi
17	Sahebganj
18	Saraikela
19	Simdega
20	Singhbhum West

Application received under NREGS

†3467. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise number of applications received so far under National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme;

(b) the number of persons given employment in the light of such applications; and

(c) the extent to which State Governments are extending cooperation in implementing the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) and (b) State-wise information is enclosed as Statement (See below).

(c) The Panchayats at district, intermediate and village levels are the principal authorities for planning and implementation of the Schemes made under NREG Act. The Centre is extending all possible co-operation to the State Governments for effective implementation of the Act.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.